

SPEAKER WITHEM: LB 515 is advanced. Mr. Clerk, LB 233.

CLERK: Mr. President, 233, introduced by Senator Lindsay. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 9 of last year, at that time referred to the Government Committee. It was advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: We're all very pleased and fortunate to have Senator John Lindsay with us this morning, who will now give an opening on LB 233.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. I'm very pleased and fortunate to be here to speak in front of you. Mr. Speaker, it's indeed an honor, somewhat humble. (Laughter) Under current law the jails, the general oversight or supervision of jails is vested with the district judges in each district. That provision is somewhat archaic, I guess extends back to the times when judges kind of owned their district or kind of ran everything in the system within their districts. What LB 233 would do is to change that general oversight supervision from the district judges to the Jail Standards Board. Jail Standards Board is currently existing, has been in operation for some period of time and has some oversight of jails at this time. It's a very simple bill. With that, I'd urge that the bill be advanced. Be happy to try to answer any questions.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you. Senator Witek, on the motion to advance.

SENATOR WITEK: Mr. Speaker, if...Senator Lindsay, I do have some questions. And I'm sorry, this bill was in our committee last year, so I'm now just trying to get up to remembering what it was all about. One of the questions is, will it change any rule that the county board now has?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: No.

SENATOR WITEK: Okay. What would happen if the Jail Standards Board make a rule that the county board disagrees with?